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(4) Whether, and to what extent, any national security, technological, or other concerns justify limitations on interconnectivity between the networks of the Distributive Training Technology Project and such other networks.

(5) Potential improvements in National Guard or other Department technologies in order to improve interconnectivity between the networks of the Distributive Training Technology Project and such other networks.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives a report on the study conducted under subsection (a). The report shall describe the results of the study, and include any recommendations that the Comptroller General considers appropriate in light of the study.

**SA 1670.** Mr. WARNER (for Mr. LOTT) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1438, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military constructions, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 346, line 20, insert after "professional" the following: "or a member of the Armed Forces serving on active duty in a grade above major or lieutenant commander".

**SA 1671.** Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. REID, and Mr. BINGAMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1438, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military constructions, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in Division C, Title XXXI, Subtitle A, insert a new section as follows:

"SEC. 31. For weapons activities, an additional \$338,944,000 is authorized to be appropriated to the Department of Energy for fiscal year 2002 for the activities of the National Nuclear Security Administration."

On page 399, line 22, strike "\$1,018,394,000" and replace with "1,357,338,000".

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

##### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Monday, September 24, 2001, at 3:30 p.m., to hold a nomination hearing.

Nominees: Ms. Charlotte Beers, of Texas, to be Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy; Mrs. Patricia de

Stacy Harrison, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Educational and Cultural Affairs); Mr. John Wolf, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Non-proliferation); the Honorable Kevin Moley, of Arizona, to be Representative of the United States of America to the European Office of the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador; the Honorable Kenneth Brill, of Maryland, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Vienna Office of the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador; Mr. Michael Malinowski, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Nepal.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet on Monday, September 24, 2001, from 12 p.m.-3:30 p.m., in Dirksen 192 for the purpose of conducting a hearing: Re long-term care.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Monday, September 24, 2001, at 3 p.m., to hold an open hearing: Re counter-terrorism.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. INHOFE. I ask unanimous consent that a military fellow, Dave Teal, be given privileges of the floor during this debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. LEVIN. I ask unanimous consent that a member of Senator Jeffords' staff, Jonathan Farnham, be given floor privileges during consideration of this bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Virginia Renee Simpson, a congressional fellow in my office, be permitted floor privileges throughout the debate on the national defense authorization bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the privilege of the floor be granted to Kimberly Connor of Senator Bond's staff, as well as LCDR Dell Bull, during consideration of S. 1438.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, at the request of Senator DOMENICI, I ask unanimous consent that Pete Lyons, a fellow in Senator DOMENICI's office, be granted floor privileges for the duration of the consideration of this bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### MEASURE INDEFINITELY POSTPONED—S. 643

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Calendar No. 148, S. 643, be indefinitely postponed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2001

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until the hour of 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, September 25. I further ask consent that on Tuesday, immediately following the prayer and the pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and that the Senate resume consideration of the Department of Defense Authorization Act; further, that the Senate recess from 12:30 to 2:15 p.m. for the weekly party conferences.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PROGRAM

Mr. LEVIN. On Tuesday the Senate will convene at 9:30 a.m. and resume consideration of the DOD authorization bill, with 15 minutes of closing debate on the Bunning base closure amendment. A rollcall vote on a motion to table the Bunning amendment will occur at approximately 9:45 a.m. Additional rollcall votes are expected as the Senate works to complete action on the DOD authorization bill on Tuesday.

The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 p.m. for the weekly party conferences.

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. LEVIN. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 8:14 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, September 25, at 9:30 a.m.

#### CONFIRMATION

Executive nomination confirmed by the Senate September 24, 2001:

##### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

KIRK VAN TINE, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.  
THE ABOVE NOMINATION WAS APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE NOMINEE'S COMMITMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY BEFORE ANY DULY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.